

## HOMWORK

This year the children will be given a book to complete their homework in. Homework will be sent home with your child on a **Thursday** and it is to be returned by the following **Tuesday**. All of the homework we have set relates to what your child is learning at school and helps to consolidate their understanding. Your time and interest in what your child does at school is very important to us and shows that you care about their learning and development. It also gives you a chance to become involved in the learning process.

		<u>Homework Guidance</u>
17th September	Spellings, phonics and grammar	<p>Some tips for good homework routines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Encourage your child and praise them doing their homework</li> <li>◆ Schedule a regular time for homework</li> <li>◆ Find a quiet place at home to use as a homework area</li> <li>◆ Discuss homework tasks and how they connect with what they are doing at school</li> <li>◆ Turn off the TV!</li> <li>◆ Don't let homework become a chore - keep it fun and make it a special time that you both look forward to.</li> </ul>
24th September	Spellings, phonics and grammar	
1st October	Spellings, phonics and grammar	
8th October	Spellings, phonics and grammar	
15th October	Spellings, phonics and grammar	
22nd October	Research Challenge	
5th November	Maths	
12th November	Maths	
19th November	Maths	
26th November onwards	Practising songs and words for the Christmas production.	

Please continue to read regularly at home with your child and sign their reading record. Please also continue practising their phonic work as we have found this has had a positive impact on the children's reading and writing.

We really appreciate all your support and encouragement you give to your child with all aspects of homework.

# Year 2 Newsletter



**Autumn 2015**

**Mrs Armstrong, Mrs Willox, Mrs Allamby,  
Mrs Roberts and Mrs Drinkwater.**



# Fire Fire!

Our work this term will be based on the topic 'Fire Fire'. It is a English and History based topic. In the first half of the term much of our work will be based around the fairytale 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. Most of our topic will be focusing on The Great Fire of London and we will have a big focus on fire safety.

**English** - traditional tale of Jack and the Beanstalk. Looking at a variety of texts including Jack's diary and a letter from the giant.

Non-fictional writing based around the Great Fire of London.

**Maths** - numbers beyond 100, partitioning numbers (HTU), odd and even numbers, number lines, addition and subtraction, number bonds to 10, 20 and 100, doubling and halving, 2x, 5x, and 10x tables, shapes, measures and data handling.

**History** - The Great Fire of London, Florence Nightingale and Samuel Pepys.

**Computing** - programming and algorithms, e-safety, iPads and iPods will be used to record work across the whole curriculum.

**DT /ART** - fire sculptures, replica houses from 1666 and vehicles.

**PSHCE/** - class and school charter, feelings and responsibilities.  
**RRSA**



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# Special Events

**Welcome Meeting** - Thursday 10th September in Mrs Armstrong's classroom at 3:15pm

**PD days**— Friday 18th September, Friday 2nd October, Friday 23rd October and Friday 11th December (School will be closed on each date).

**Parent Consultation Evenings**—Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th October.

**Grangetown Fire Station Visits:**

**Mrs Armstrong's class** - Monday 19th October (Provisional date)

**Mrs Willox's class** - Wednesday 21st October (Provisional date)

**Mrs Allamby's class** - Friday 22nd October (Provisional date)

**Miss Allamby's Class Assembly**— Friday 27th November

**Break up for half term**— Thursday 22nd October

**Back to school**—Monday 2nd November

**Christmas Performance**—TBC

## Reminders!

- All children need to have a **named** PE kit in school at all times. Our PE sessions are on Tuesdays. They need plain shorts (**not** football shorts) and plimsolls for indoor PE. The children will be given a house team colour t-shirt to wear each week. They also need an outdoor PE kit of a tracksuit and trainers.
- Please write your child's name in **all** of their uniform, including their jumper and coat. This is very important due to the amount of lost property we have every year!
- School doors open at 8.55am and will be closed just after 9.00am. Hometime is at 3.05pm. Children not collected by 3.20pm will be taken to After School Club and may be charged, unless there has been a message sent to school.
- Parents drop-in sessions are on a Monday from 3.10pm- 4.00pm.
- Remember to follow us on Twitter and Facebook where we share lots of information about our school.